

## Saskowski, Ronald

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**From:** Miller, Scott  
**Sent:** Friday, July 31, 2015 11:16 AM  
**To:** Saskowski, Ronald  
**Subject:** FW: Email on Smokey Mountain Smelters

Hello Ron,  
Please save this to SEMS for Smokey Mountain Smelters.  
Thank you,  
Scott

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**From:** Thomas, Brett  
**Sent:** Monday, July 27, 2015 3:55 PM  
**To:** Miller, Scott  
**Subject:** RE: Email on Smokey Mountain Smelters

Scott,

In my June 15, 2015 Tech Memo addressing the ecological risk, it was stated that there was some concern over metals in the surface water of Flenniken Branch, though the source(s) of the contamination were not clear (could be non-site sources). There was also some concern over the elevated copper concentrations in some site surface soils and the calculated risks of that contamination to songbirds. It has been stated that the surface soils and groundwater will be addressed to some extent in the remedial activities at the site. Addressing the particular surface soils by capping, removal or other means to reduce the copper concentrations in the surface soils should serve to eliminate the calculated unacceptable risk from copper to songbirds. Addressing the potential off site transport of metals by addressing the groundwater should adequately address this concern as well. Given the remedial activities planned and the results of the risk assessment for other areas potentially affected by the site, it is believed that these actions should adequately address all identified significant ecological risks on or associated with the site, given the current knowledge of the site and on-site/off-site conditions.

Thanks.

Brett

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**From:** Miller, Scott  
**Sent:** Thursday, July 23, 2015 6:42 AM  
**To:** Thomas, Brett  
**Subject:** Email on Smokey Mountain Smelters

Good morning, Brett,  
Hope that you are doing well. Could you drop me an email letting me know that we have resolved the ecorisk concerns that you had previously on the Smokey Mountain Smelters RI/FS?

Thank you,  
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